

THE MUSIC HOUR. *Teacher's Guide for the Fifth Book.* By Osbourne McConathy, W. Otto Miessner, Edward Bailey Birge, and Mabel E. Bray. New York: Silver, Burdett and Company. 1931. Pp. 333.

An ideal manual for both experienced and inexperienced teachers and supervisors of music.

Examples and suggestions are given for appreciation, sight-singing, ear-training, and many other types of lessons. The work planned is suitable for the average sixth grade. The reading material and songs are arranged in a practical fashion. L. H.

JOHN AND JEAN. By Eloise Davis Pickard and Gladys Simpson. New York: American Book Company. 1932. Pp. 95. 48 cents.

A most delightful first reader. The stories in Book One show how the West Wind helps John and Jean enjoy the autumn days; Book Two finds the North Wind showing them the delights of winter's sports; and in Book Three the South Wind helps them chase Spring in her green dress, and they see the birds come and give the orioles assistance in building their nest. The illustrations are as charming as the stories. Children cannot but learn to read with such fascinating material.

DO AND LEARN READERS: *Boys and Girls at School*, a first primer. *Stories of Animals*, second reader. *Interesting Things to Know*, third reader. By Margaret White and Alice Hanthorn. 1930. **JEAN AND JERRY'S VACATION**, second reader. By Mabel Hubbard Johnson. 1931. **TOBY CHIPMUNK**, primer. By Margaret J. McElroy and Jessica C. Younge. 1931. **BETTY JUNE AND HER FRIENDS**, primer. By Lena B. Ellingswood. 1929. **FACT AND STORY READERS**, primer with workbook. By Suzzallo, Freeland, McGlaughlin, and Skinner. 1930. New York: The American Book Company.

The subject matter of these readers comes out of the actual experiences of children, and satisfies their curiosity in regard to things in their everyday life. Each book is attractively arranged, with pictures which are colorful and childlike in conception. And the vocabularies are checked with standard word lists. M. L. S.

NEWS OF THE COLLEGE

John Powell, Virginia composer and musician of note, appeared in Wilson Hall on April 20 as the final number in the entertainment course. Again and again at the end of his concert the audience called him back with applause, and each time he responded graciously.

His program follows:

I. Brahms—Variations and Fugue on a theme of Haendel.

II. Chopin—Nocturne, D flat major; Mazurka, A minor; Scherzo, B minor.

III. Debussy—Pour le Piano: Prelude—Sarabande—Toccata.

IV. Liszt—Don Giovanni Fantasia.

Dr. Henry A. Converse, Registrar and Professor of Mathematics, was recently elected president of the Virginia Association of Collegiate Registrars for the coming year. The next meeting of the Registrars' Association will be held at Harrisonburg in April, 1933.

Virginia Jones, of Gordonsville, has been appointed the new chairman of the Standards Committee of the Student Government Association. Her confederates are Nell Taylor, Big Stone Gap; Evelyn Watkins, Norfolk; Prudence Spooner, Franklin; Lou Alice Aiken, Salako, Texas.

Appointment of new members of the Social Committee has also been made: Eleanor Baker, Lovingsston, chairman; Anna Larrick, Round Hill; Elizabeth Snyder, Hampton; Cornelia Gilmer, Lebanon; Bobbie Cook, Charleston, W. Va.; Dorothy Harris, Carson; Elizabeth Winnie, Hampton; Martha Bailey, Windsor.

Under the supervision of Miss Miriam Fairies and Mary Hyde, the Senior Life Saving training and testing for this season is being brought to a close. The testing is being conducted by a corps of the Red Cross Life Saving Service who hold their Examiners' Emblems. They are Margaret Campbell, Julia Duke, Mary Farinholt, Mary Hyde, Emelyn Peterson, Ercelle

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Reade, Frances Rolston, Catherine Wherrett.

Those receiving their Senior Life Saving Emblems are: Margaret Eure, Mary Haga, Pam Parkins, Martha Warren.

Recently elected officers of Le Cercle Français are: Hilda Hisey, Edinburgh, president; Hazel Wood, Petersburg, vice-president; Mildred Foskey, Portsmouth, secretary; Hattie Courter, Amelia, treasurer; Gladys Myers, Harrisonburg, chairman of the program committee.

The Art Club recently announced these new members: Janet Latané, Cranford, N. J.; Virginia Bean, Vinton; Helen Williams, Baskerville; Hattie Courter, Amelia; Elizabeth Showalter, Harrisonburg; Mignon Ross, Dodson; Mildred Foskey, Portsmouth.

Newly elected officers of the Art Club are: Dorothy Martin, Norfolk, president; Rebecca Snyder, Waynesboro, vice-president; Virginia Ruby, Lynchburg, secretary; Frances Pigg, Washington, D. C., treasurer; Lois Bishop, Norfolk, chairman of the program committee.

The three literary societies have announced the following new members: *Lanier*—Louise Sweeney, Charleston, W. Va.; Agnes Mason, Baskerville; Martha Saunders, Richmond; Mary Vernon Montgomery, Baskerville. *Lee*—Hattie Courter, Amelia; Julia Courter, Amelia; Mary Page Barnes, Amelia; Doris Quillan, Lebanon; Sally Elder, Burlington, N. C.; Eloise Craig, Danville; Jane Maphis Strasburg; Lois Drewry, Clifton Forge; June Taliaferro, Harrisonburg; Kathryn Harlin, Harrisonburg; Marion Smith, Philadelphia; Janet Latané Cranford, N. J.; Kathleen Tate, Lebanon. *Page*—Pam Parkins, Norfolk; Helen Meyer, Richmond; Rebecca Bennett, Salisbury, Md.

Among recent visitors to Alma Mater were Henrietta Sparrow and Frances Cabell Jett of Front Royal; Mary Moore Aldhizer and Mamye Turner of Washington, D. C.; Virginia Gilliam of Carson; and Anne Trott and Elizabeth Ellmore of Arlington County.

ROANOKE ALUMNÆ MEET

The Roanoke alumnae chapter had a party at Velma Moeschler's tea-room in Roanoke on Monday, April 25, after Dr. Gifford's class in Extension Work, in which there are a large number of Harrisonburg graduates. Dr. Gifford reports that he was bombarded with questions about the faculty, Miss Lyons, and Mr. Knight. The girls are engaged in various phases of work—nursing, home-making, tea-room management, social service, private kindergarten, and public school teaching. The twenty-six alumnae and ex-students who were present and signed their names and dates of graduation are:

Sarah Evans, '26; Harriet Dickson, '29; Lillian Penn Whitescarver, '25; Mildred Reynolds Chapman, '29; Bessie Kirkwood Dickerson, '22; Vivienne Mays, '15; Vernelle Mays, '18; Emma S. Webber, '25; Mary Mullins, '29; Lassie Dalton, '24; Beatrice Bell, '28; Frances Snyder, '31; Vera Seay Anson, '14; Virginia Brumbaugh, '28; Mildred Kling, '27; Ruth Witt, '19; Alice Horsley, '30; Nancy Mosher, '26; Dorothy Wheeler, '31; Catherine Sponseller, '31; Josephine N. Fagg, '34; Nell D. Walters, '29; Velma Moeschler, '15; Esther Coulbourn Dance, '15; Mary Austin Freeman, '15; Virginia Styne Lindsey, '18.

ALUMNAE NEWS

Mrs. H. B. Tompson (née Elizabeth Kabler) is living at 1442 Asbury Ave., Winnetka, Ill.

Mrs. G. F. Sipp (née Bess Moubray) lives at 14041 Cherry Road, Detroit.

Mary Smith Garrison's address is 211 S. Habana St., Tampa, Fla.

Mrs. E. J. Stafford (née Fannie Green Allen) announces the arrival of her baby son, E. J. Stafford, Jr., born at Erwin, N. C.

Mrs. Paul Hiner (née Stella Maloy) has a little son a year old. The baby's name is Dick Maloy.

Dorothy Lacy Paylor's husband is the principal of Brosville High School. Dorothy has two boys, and she says H. T. C.

must go co-educational in order to get her sons.

Lillye Hundley teaches home economics at Bassetts.

At Gretna the following H. T. C. girls are teaching in the high school and grades: Myrtle Haden, Elsie Shelhorse, Rebecca Reynolds, Lestelle Barber, Edna Calvert, and Jewel Ramsey.

Henrietta Sparrow writes from Wilmington, N. C., that she expects to attend commencement this year.

Henrietta Huffard Moore wrote Dr. Wayland that while it is very hard for people in Milwaukee to get the Virginia stations over the radio, yet she heard the Glee Club sing at the Apple Blossom Festival last year.

Juanita Beery Houck writes from Blackstone: "I want to tell you what a wonderful time I had opening the hope chest! Everything was lovely, and the gifts will be especially valuable to me because they came from the class of '30."

Anna H. Ward has her A. M. from George Washington University. The degree is in home economics with the emphasis on Economic Geography. Her thesis was "Trends of Location of the Fabric Garment Industries."

Nell Critzer Miller's husband was in 1930 an applicant for Ph. D. degree at Columbia, and was an assistant to Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick. Bess Critzer's husband is professor of public speaking at William and Mary. Kathryn Sebrell Critzer's address is 4810 Lanier Ave., Baltimore, Md.

Messages from former students are received from time to time. Word has come to someone at the college from these "old girls" recently.

Henrietta Sparrow, Wilmington, N. C.
Emma Jane Beydler, Woodstock, Virginia.
Edith Agner, Covington, Va.
Farah Rust, Dayton, Virginia.
Claire Lay, Bluefield, Virginia.
Elizabeth Rolston, Washington, D. C.
Louise Wine, Waynesboro, Va.
Nettie Yowell, Boyce, Va.
Bernardine Knee, Winchester.
Helen Goodson, Norfolk.

Mina Thomas, New York.
Mrs. Alberta Rodes Shelton, Norfolk.
Mildred Coffman, Edinburg.
Florence Shelton, Norfolk.
Blanche Schuler, Broadway.
Eila Watts, Clifton Forge.
Bertha McCollum, Trenton, N. J.
Virginia Turpin, Norfolk.
Lila Lee Riddell, Dumbarton.
Mary Crane, Paw Paw, Mich.

WEDDINGS

Ina Forrester to Wesley Thomas Elliot at Painter, Virginia, June 11, 1931.

Catherine Yancey to Charles Earman at Keezletown, Virginia, September 20, 1931.

Julia Mackey to Jordan Dickinson at Buena Vista, Virginia, May 16, 1931.

Ethel Davis to William Edgar Holland at Newport News, Virginia, June 16, 1931.

Lucy Mearle Pearce to Harry E. Sandridge at Hampton, Virginia, May 8, 1931.

Lois Winston to Marvin Allen Turpin, at Hampden-Sydney, Virginia, February 20, 1932.

Alma Bennett to Mr. Owen at Chatham, Virginia, June 20, 1931.

Elsie Wine to John Wilder, Jr. at Washington, D. C., February 8, 1932.

Virginia R. Driver to Robert J. Blackburn at New Market, March 14, 1932.

Nellie Rhodes to Clarence Whissen at Staunton, February 20, 1932.

Selina Linhoss to Bennie Dofflemeyer at Washington, D. C., March 18, 1932.

Sylvia Myers to Lloyd Curtis Blose at Rockville, Maryland, January 23, 1932.

Kathleen Snapp to Howard Lewis Jones at Roanoke, May 22, 1931.

Grace Harvey Heyl to Roland August Mulhauser at Atlanta, Georgia, April 22, 1932.

OUR CONTRIBUTORS

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